

**EDISON STATE COLLEGE
ACCOUNTING TECHNOLOGY
ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE**

The Associate in Science degree program in Accounting is designed to prepare students to enter public or private accounting in various capacities. Students who successfully complete this program will have the knowledge and skills necessary to sit for two certification examinations.

Accreditation Council for Accountancy and Taxation (ACAT)

The ACAT examination is sponsored by the National Society of Public Accountants located in Alexandria, Virginia. The examination is offered twice a year, in May and December. The six-hour examination is given at over 200 test sites nationwide. Accreditation in Accountancy by the ACAT demonstrates to your clients and/or employer they have a professional working for them.

Enrolled Agents Examination

The Enrolled Agents Examination is a comprehensive four-part exam administered once a year by the Internal Revenue Service. The primary benefits of being an enrolled agent are (1) recognition of attaining a high level of knowledge of federal taxation and (2) eligibility to practice before the IRS.

Accounting Graduates May Earn:

An entry level worker can expect to earn **\$33,380** (\$16.05 per hour) while an experienced worker can expect to earn **\$65,240** (\$31.36 per hour).*

There are approximately 144 annual openings in Edison's service district.**

*Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation retrieved January 2009.

**2008-2009 Regional Targeted Occupational List retrieved from Southwest Florida Workforce Development Board.

Career/Industry Opportunities:

- Accountant
- Accounts Payable Clerk
- Accounts Receivable Clerk
- Accounting Clerk
- Bookkeeper
- Paraprofessional Accountant
- Payroll Assistant

Continuing Toward a Bachelor's Degree?

The Edison State College has academic partnerships with many university partners. For example, the Accounting Degree transfers to a BS in Accounting at Hodges University. Edison graduates receive reduced tuition with many of our university partners. **Please contact the program advisor at (239) 489-9067 for further information.**

